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REMARKS

Claim 13 has been amended by this paper. Claims 1-12 have been canceled by this paper. Claims 13-16 remain pending in this application.

Claims 13-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Applicants submit that the amendments to claim 13 render the rejection moot.

Claims 1-5 and 8-12 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,741,584 to Imabeppu et al. Claims 1-5 and 8-12 are no longer pending in this application, thereby rending the rejections moot.

Claims 1-12 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,804,656 to Kaliski et al. Claims 1-12 are no longer pending in this application, thereby rending the rejections moot.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and formal notice thereof is respectfully requested.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) to treat any paper that is filed in this application, which requires an extension of time, as incorporating a request for such an extension. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required by this paper or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0809.

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